Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Monday 03 May 2021 until 23:59 on Tuesday 04 May 2021

Forecast Issued on Sunday 02 May 2021 at 14:58 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for generally showery picture with longer periods of snow and rain spreading from the southwest Monday, which clears early Tuesday.

Headline for Monday 03 May 2021: Rather cloudy with shower or longer periods of snow and rain.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 03 May 2021

Blizzards Low Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** Low Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Low Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy	Light snow	Light snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Light snow	Light snow
Precipitation probability							
00%	10%	40%	50%	70%	70%	60%	40%

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Weather: Largely dry with higher cloud feeding from the southwest and lowering towards dawn, bringing some scattered showers of snow and rain. A cloudy day with showery snow, falling as rain below around 600m. During the late morning and afternoon the showers will turn heavy at times, also merging to longer periods of snow and rain occasionally, bringing blizzard conditions across highest summits.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60% lowering 40% between mid-morning and late afternoon.

Visibility: Good lowering moderate to poor in rain, very poor in snow and hill fog, as bases scattered become broken to extensive for a time between mid-morning and late afternoon, from 500-800m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	6/8 S	8/11 SE	15/19 SE	23/32 SE	36/49 SE	37/51 E	37/50 NE	35/49 NE	34/47 N
900	4/5 S	8/10 SE	12/17 SE	21/30 SE	29/41 SE	29/43 E	26/39 NE	25/37 NE	24/35 N
600	4/5 S	5/7 E	8/11 SE	16/23 S	31/42 SE	31/44 E	28/40 NE	26/38 NE	26/38 N
300	3/4 E	3/6 E	6/11 E	13/23 SE	20/33 E	20/34 E	19/31 NE	17/29 NE	18/30 N
Glen	2/5 SE	3/6 E	4/10 E	8/16 E	10/21 E	14/29 NE	15/32 NE	15/32 NE	14/28 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-4/-8	-4/-9	-4/-11	-4/-12	-3/-13	-4/-13	-4/-14	-4/-14	-4/-14
900	-2/-5	-2/-6	-2/-7	-0/-7	-0/-8	-0/-8	-1/-8	-2/-9	-2/-10
600	1/-1	1/-2	2/-2	2/-3	2/-4	2/-5	1/-6	1/-6	0/-7
300	4/2	3/2	4/1	5/1	4/-1	4/-1	4/-1	3/-2	3/-3
Glen	5/4	4/3	5/3	7/4	6/3	6/2	6/2	5/1	5/1
Freezing Level*	700m	700m	600m	700m	700m	700m	700m	600m	600m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Conditions most hazardous between mid-morning and late afternoon with extensive hill fog in snow and rain. Also significant wind chill from mid-day as summit gales develop.

Forecast for Tuesday 04 May 2021

Weather: A seasonally cold day of showers, these most frequent through the morning. Brighter spells improving to sunny spells for the afternoon as showers thin out somewhat. Snow level around 500m lowering 300m by late evening.

Maximum wind: North mean 20-25 mph initially with gusts reaching 35 mph across most exposed ridges and summits, easing gradually from late morning.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40% becoming 80% later.

Visibility: Good or very good, lowering moderate to poor in rain showers, very poor in snow and hill fog, as bases lower 500-800m.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 1 Celsius increasing 9 Celsius for the afternoon
At 800m: Minus 3 Celsius lowering minus 5 Celsius later
Freezing level: 600m lowering 400m later

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